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HST to speak at labor dinner

from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

RELIGION & POLITICS

After saying in an editorial Sept. 23 that we should ignore those who keep bringing up the religious issue, your editor feels a little sheepish about printing the letter on page 8.

His only excuse is the belief that truth will prevail in an honest discussion of ideas.

The "Opinions" column of this newspaper has traditionally been a place where those who disagree with what the editor says could freely speak their pieces.

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DOOR-TO-DOOR

Tolerance goes by the board, however, when the misguided fringe tries to mix politics and religion on the front doorstep of my home, as two Jehovah's Witnesses did last Saturday.

A man's house may have been his castle at one stage of the game. But that was before door-to-door salesmen and religious extremists found that the lion in his den was the world's most captive audience.

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NO FREEDOM ISSUE

Local authorities have curbed the commercial door-to-door pest under the guise of licensing and health provisions.

But city fathers have shied away from the Jehovah's Witnesses and other religion peddlers because they're afraid they'll be accused of restricting free speech or religion.

Nonsense! Our nation's founders would have had no patience with front porch proselytizing.

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HATE NOTHING NEW

As for the so-called religious issue, perhaps it's just a symptom of the non-Christian hate which some religions seem to have for others.

Maybe we who realize that this un-American type of thinking doesn't jibe with the real facts of religion and politics should bring it out in the daylight and discuss it, after all.

But not on my front porch!

Thoman, press differ

Al Thoman of Carpenters 36 said both Senator Kennedy and Vice-President Nixon addressed the Carpenters' convention in Chicago.

"We rendered the vice-president a reception sufficient for the dignity of his office, and we gave Kennedy a standing ovation," Thoman said.

"But the Chicago papers said Nixon got a standing ovation and Kennedy 'spoke.'"

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers, on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.



A UNITED CRUSADE AGENCY, the Jewish Welfare Federation, was picketed by Office Workers 29 following eight months of delays by the agency's officials. Shown on the picket line at 3245 Sheffield Ave. are, from left, Ann Stanton, Virginia Trump, Zella Andrean, Rena Rothman, Paula Kray, Clarice Real, Shirley Eddy, Elsie Beltron and Sydney Ross. A motion to withhold Central Labor Council support of the current Crusade drive unless backing is removed from the struck agency was referred to the council's executive board this week. (See story below.)

Crusade agency is struck; CLC probes withdrawal motion

Withdrawal of support from the United Crusade until settlement of a strike by Office Workers 29 against the Jewish Welfare Federation was to be considered by the Central Labor Council executive board today (Friday).

A motion by Ann Hollingsworth of Local 29 was referred to the executive committee by CLC delegates by a 50-37 vote Monday night.

Under delegate Hollingsworth's motion, the Crusade could keep CLC support during its current fund drive by agreeing to hold back all funds from the struck agency. The strike began last Thursday, Sept. 29.

E. H. Vernon of Auto Mechanics 1546, who made the motion to refer, said he was sympathetic with Local 29 but felt the "public relations of the labor movement" would suffer.

Bill Stumpf, Steelworkers 3009; Al Thoman, Carpenters 36 and Peter J. Ceremello, Paint Makers 1101, also spoke against acting Monday night.

STUBBORN EMPLOYERS

Richard Groulx, assistant CLC secretary, said the union had been trying to get a contract since organizing the welfare federation's office early in January. Groulx said Oscar A. Mintzner, the agency's executive director had frustrated Local 29 and CLC attempts to reach a settlement. Another meeting was scheduled Wednesday.

Groulx said there are only 12 employees involved—all union members—but that Mintzner has changed his demand for contract exemptions from two to six of the 12.

BTC discusses craft vs. local representation

Jack Wood of Plasterers 127 raised the issue of delegate strength at Tuesday night's Building Trades Council meeting.

Two years ago, the AFLCIO Building Trades Department directed local councils to revise their constitutions and by-laws to eliminate delegations based strictly on local union strength.

Under the directive, delegates to local councils would be apportioned in accordance with international unions.

Thus, internationals having a large number of locals would, in most cases, have their delegations to the BTC reduced in voting power.

Wood said Plasterers and Cement Masons had reduced their number of delegates in accordance with the directive. He said he thought other unions should, too.

A. J. Heinson of Plumbers 444 said his union had reduced delegates from six to four, and BTC Secretary John Davy said Steamfitters 342 had, too.

M. B. Dillashaw of Cement Masons 594 said he refused to have his delegation cast only the two votes allotted under the directive if other unions used the old voting procedure.

J. L. Childers, BTC business representative, said compliance under the national directive had been spotty. He said the Santa Clara County Building Trades Council had revised its constitution but that it varied somewhat with the national directive.

Childers said he understood the San Diego and San Bernar-

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Don't buy General Electric products during IUE strike

Union members, their friends and families were urged to stop buying General Electric Co. products—including light bulbs—as the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (AFLCIO) struck the anti-union company this week.

Robert S. Ash, secretary of the Central Labor Council, was joined in the boycott plea by delegates from IUE locals at two Oakland plants.

Non-union workers joined IUE pickets at the two plants and most of them signed up with the union, according to Ed Brown secretary of IUE District 8. The locals involved are Local 1506, lamp plant, 1614 Campbell Ave., and Local 853, wire and cable plant, 1034 66th Ave.

Managers of the two Oakland Plants invited workers to cross picket lines in line with an announced company move to keep the plants in operation. According to the Oakland Tribune, the two managers said crossing pickets lines was "not a strikebreaking maneuver."

However, the plants were kept open only by supervisory employees.

Thaeanne Pelikan of Local 1506 told the Central Labor Council that, out of 173 in the lamp plant bargaining unit, only four crossed picket lines.

Manuel Sotelo of Local 853 reported only two scabs at the wire and cable plant. Other unions respected picket lines.

"We shouldn't be buying G.E. products, anyway," Ash told council delegates Monday night, "because G.E. was the biggest spender against unions in the right-to-work fight two years ago."

Ash announces Truman will be here Oct. 28

Former President Harry S. Truman will speak at a labor campaign dinner in Oakland later this month, Central Labor Secretary Robert S. Ash announced Monday night.

Truman will be in Oakland Oct. 28.

Location will be announced later. As of Wednesday morning, arrangements for a place for the dinner were still pending, according to Ash.

Ash, northern California labor chairman for Senator Kennedy, said the dinner will be for all AFLCIO unions in northern California. Tickets will also be available to the general public.

As far as he has been able to find out, Ash said, Truman is making the trip just for this one appearance.

"Truman says he's coming here because he wants to come back to Alameda County," Ash told labor council delegates.

REUTHER TO SPEAK

CLC delegates voted to cancel their next two meetings, Oct. 10 and 17.

Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers, is speaking at a rally in the Oakland Auditorium at 8 p.m. next Monday, Oct. 10.

The program is free and open to the public.

Reuther will speak on "New Horizons" and will discuss important campaign issues.

Reuther originally was to have appeared in San Jose tonight (Friday), but his talk was cancelled because of conflict with the Kennedy-Nixon debate.

JOINT CLC-BTC MEETING

Instead of the Oct. 17 meeting, a joint Central Labor Council-Building Trades Council session will be held on that date to plan a positive labor action program during the final weeks of the election campaign.

Executive board members, paid officers, shop stewards and any other interested members of AFLCIO unions in Alameda County will be invited to the Oct. 17 meeting.

REITH WANTS ENVELOPES

Ed Reith, Alameda County COPE director, said only five unions have given him addressed envelopes for sending COPE slate cards to their members. He urged other unions to do so as soon as possible in order to avoid a last minute pileup.

Reith also said a large number of Kennedy bumper strips have been given out, but many have not been put on cars. He urged all union members to use the bumper strips. Don't waste them.

Large quantities of bumper strips—for entire unions—must be ordered in advance, Reith told delegates. He reminded all unionists that the election is only a little over four weeks away.

HOW TO BUY

Many pay exorbitant fees

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

If you buy a car on time payments and sometimes even other types of goods, the chances are that you also are paying for credit life insurance without knowing it.

A survey by the National Better Business Bureau has found that over half of all buyers of cars on installment plans also buy credit life insurance without their knowledge or consent.

Kenneth B. Wilson, president of the Bureau, says this happens because many time payment contracts do not itemize the various charges in addition to the price of the car, but simply lump a charge for credit insurance into the total price of the car.

Credit life insurance nowadays is required by most banks and finance companies, and some installment dealers, when you take out a loan or buy on time. The insurance pays off the balance of your debt if you die before completing your payments. Lenders provide it chiefly for their own protection. However, it's not a bad deal for you if you know you're paying for it, and most of all, pay just a reasonable fee for it.

CREDIT UNIONS, for example provide credit life insurance for all borrowers without any extra charge. Many banks and other reputable lenders provide it at an extra fee of 50-60 cents for each \$100 borrowed. That's reasonable enough and is approximately what the insurance costs them.

At a cost to you of 60 cents or less per \$100 of debt, credit life insurance does provide temporary insurance at a time when you probably need it most. If anything happened to you, your wife or co-signer won't have to complete the payments. It's group insurance; so everybody pays the same rate with no medical exam. Thus it's especially helpful for older people and those in hazardous occupations or suffering from a chronic illness, who usually have to pay extra for life insurance.

Whether you want credit insurance or not, you're pretty likely to get it these days if you borrow or buy on time. This type of insurance has soared from less than two million policies in 1948 to over 35 million in '58, the BBB reports. Apparently half or more of all families may be paying for credit life insurance right now whether they know it or not.

BUT DEALERS and lenders

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who add credit life insurance on to your bill without your knowledge, also often overcharge for it, the BBB study finds. In fact, the price some sellers charge is scandalous. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners found that over half the companies selling this type of insurance, paid out in claims less than 20 per cent of the premiums charged. Almost one-third of the companies paid out less than ten per cent.

That means the fees for this insurance were rigged so that for every dollar charged for credit life insurance by these companies, they paid only less than ten to twenty cents.

The commissioners found that three insurance companies specializing in this type of insurance took in a total of \$33,500,000 one recent year and paid out in claims only \$7,400,000 or 22 per cent. So you can see the extent of the gouge.

YOU HAVE TO protect yourself from this widespread gouge. It's simple enough:

1. Don't sign any installment contract if the dealer lumps all the charges together without itemizing what you pay for various items.

2. If the dealer does itemize a charge for "insurance" but doesn't say what kind, then make him specify whether this is insurance on the car itself, or credit life insurance, and how much he is charging for each.

3. If he charges much more than 60 cents per \$100 of your balance, you are paying more than you need to. Thus on a balance of \$1,000 on a used car, a moderate charge for credit life insurance would be \$6.

4. If a dealer or loan company also charges you for accident and health insurance with an installment purchase or loan, you may be a candidate for a real gouge. Some fringe auto dealers and some small-loan companies, especially in the Southwest and Midwest, have been charging borrowers not only for credit life insurance, but for health insurance too.

5. Also beware if a dealer or loan company charges you for credit insurance but withholds the policy. If anything did happen to you, your family might never know you were covered by such insurance.

Credit's good

A Houston, Tex., furniture store has the best solution to the high interest rate, tight money problem.

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Referral sales of cars probed

An Oakland used car lot man under investigation for selling automobiles on the "referral plan," has been arrested for writing two fictitious checks totalling \$1,225 in the Roseville area.

The Oakland Better Business Bureau said it had been investigating reports that William C. Kimball, identified as operator of Uptown Motors, 4422 Broadway, offered customers "free" payments for referring other buyers to the dealership.

He was released on bail on the check charge.

Kimball told bureau investigators he was trained in referral selling in Kansas. Referral selling has been strongly criticized by State Consumer Counsel Helen Nelson, the Better Business Bureau and other consumer groups.

He was employed by Matt Hammond's Uptown Motors to conduct the promotion in this area, Kimball told the bureau.

Watch out for furnace racket

With a 60 per cent increase in complaints and inquiries about the furnace racket, the Better Business Bureau of Oakland has issued a seasonal warning.

"Too many people are falling victim to the unscrupulous furnace salesman," said B. Charles Wansley, president of the local BBB, "because they act in fright and bind themselves with legal contracts for work which is not needed."

"While the vast majority of local furnace companies are entirely reputable, reports reaching the bureau indicate that some salesmen representing a few local companies gain access to the home by offering 'free' service, then tamper with the controls to set up a demonstration for the false claim that the furnace needs repairing."

"Many elderly people and women alone in the home, particularly, have fallen into the clutches of these unprincipled operators, simply because they have failed to take the necessary precautions of 'checking out' both the salesman and the firms they claim to represent in advance of signing contracts."

"The most repeated experience brought to the Bureau," Wansley pointed out, "is the false claim by salesmen that the owner's furnace is leaking gas and is in danger of explosion or that asphyxiation is imminent."

The BBB urges all persons who have reason to suspect their furnace is leaking gas or who are told by a salesman that the condition exists, to immediately call the gas company who will send a courteous representative to the home for verification.

'Consumer tired of being conned'

State Consumer Counsel Helen Nelson called for a "truth-in-advertising" campaign in a talk before the Los Angeles Advertising Club.

She said the Federal Trade Commission office in San Francisco reports the volume of complaints about false advertising is three times as great as before the payola and quiz show scandals.

Apparently the public is waking up to the menace.

Mrs. Nelson said: "I think the prudent consumer's attitude toward advertising can be summarized almost as simply as this: For truthful useful advertising, the consumer is willing to pay. From false and misleading advertising and from being just plain conned, the consumer is demanding to be delivered."

Social item

William Strybos of Houston, Tex., and Sarah Bryan of Dandridge, Tenn., met at a National Federation of Post Office Clerks convention four years ago.

At this year's convention, they got married.

To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

ARE OUR SCHOOLS doing a good job?

Or are standards too low, frills too many and teachers bogged down in overwork and administrative mediocrity?

The California Teachers Assn. has on numerous occasions sided with administrators and school boards in defending our schools as they are.

The California State Federation of Teachers (AFLCIO), on the other hand, has not hesitated to point out weaknesses where it sees them.

THE CURRENT controversy over a report on San Francisco schools by eight U. C. and Stanford professors is no exception.

The CTA has attacked the professors' report. AFLCIO Teachers in San Francisco have said through their president that the report is a step in the right direction.

Perhaps the public should be told that the CTA does not represent the thinking of a large number of California teachers, who are disenchanted with what is—and isn't—being done in our classrooms.

A LETTER from a San Francisco teacher who resigned "to save my sense of humor, sanity, health and perspective" is published in the current "California Teacher," official publication of the AFLCIO group. It reflects the thinking of many teachers.

She says classes are too big, and the ability range of her pupils too great for effective teaching.

"A TICKET to a football or basketball game gives the student an approved means of buying his way out of 15-40 minutes of his last afternoon class once a week almost all school year. "Countless other interruptions of teaching time have become taken for granted."

"TEACHERS MUST COPE with roll call, official announcements, notes for absences, home passes, late arrivals, skips, forms concerning federal housing surveys, March of Dimes, PTA, Cinerama, tickets and elections."

If a teacher has a preparation period, he or she must supervise study hall, apprehend smokers in rest rooms, oversee students resting due to illness, write numerous lists, alphabetize cards, keep attendance records up to date, record grades, or report to the dean's office for extra duty.

NO WONDER teachers don't smile!

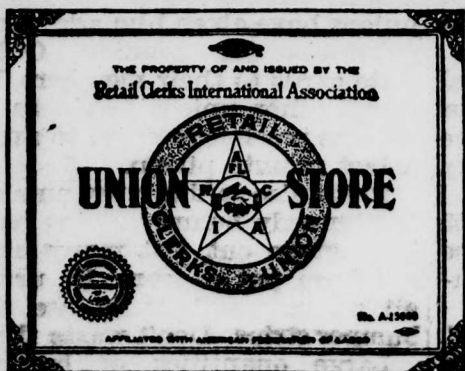
English teachers who assign compositions to their 175 students must be prepared to spend 11 hours to read, correct and grade them.

"Gradually," the letter writer says, "the positive intrinsic rewards are outweighed by the negative burden."

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Prop. 1 'legalized looting': State Sen. Geo. Miller Jr.

Proposition 1 is "legalized looting" of a non-existent Northern California water surplus to deliver it to Southern California which has no shortage of water, State Senator George Miller Jr. charged in a talk in El Cerrito.

The plan to finance a huge transfer of water to the south is the culmination of a ten year propaganda campaign based on the twin premises of surplus and shortage, the Contra Costa Democrat told an El Cerrito Rotary Club luncheon.

If enacted into law, Miller said, it will derange the economy of northern California and heavily penalize property taxpayers in Contra Costa and throughout the state. Despite the claims of its proponents, he added, the plan has no provision for replacing water to be siphoned from the Delta and no provision to control winter floods.

"There is no surplus of water in the Delta from which the water is to be piped to the Southern San Joaquin Valley and to southern California," Miller declared.

"There is no shortage in the water now available for the southern California coastal plain. Southern California is using less than three-fifths of the water to which it is entitled from the Colorado River. Other sources, such as the Owens Valley watershed are only partially utilized. The only shortage is in the San Diego area and this can be remedied by adjusting present southern California water supplies.

"Northern California communities have built and paid for their own water systems. Yet, instead of leaving it up to southern California to build the additional aqueducts it needs to make the remainder of its water available, the proponents of Proposition 1 are asking that the entire state pay to import northern California's sorely needed water to the south," Miller said.

Musicians donate concert

Music for the season's final concert of the Oakland Municipal Band in Lakeside Park Sunday will be provided by Musicians 6 through a grant from the Recording Industries Trust Fund. The concert is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the band shell overlooking Lake Merritt.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Picnic awards are presented

Labor Day Picnic awards were formally presented by Central Labor Secretary Robert S. Ash at last week's council meeting.

Ash praised those who worked long hours to make this year's picnic the "best ever."

Gifts for selling the largest number of tickets went to three union, who led in their respective size categories. They were Food Clerks 870, which voted to buy one ticket per member; Auto and Ship Painters 1176, which accounted for nearly one and one-half tickets per member, and Auto Workers 1031, which sold nearly 420 tickets.

Trophies were accepted by Charles Jones, business representative of Local 870; Leslie K. Moore, business representative for Local 1176, and Victor Neves, delegate from Local 1031.

Moore pointed out that his union won the challenge he issued June 13 to outsell any local in a ticket sales competition. He said he was re-issuing the challenge for next year's picnic

Ash urges full labor support of Cohelan dinner this Thursday

Congressman Chester Bowles was to speak at a \$15 a plate fund raising dinner for Congressman Jeffery Cohelan at 8 p.m. this Thursday at the Hotel Claremont.

In a letter to all unions affiliated with the Central Labor Council and their delegates, Robert S. Ash, CLC secretary said:

"As you know, Brother Jeff Cohelan, candidate for re-election to Congress from the Seventh Congressional District (Berkeley, Albany and part of Oakland) has been selected by the GOP as one of the California political officeholders to take on at this election. His opponent is not one that can be trusted to vote for the working men and women.

"A candidate, under normal circumstances, has enough trouble getting the tools (finances, door bell pushers, etc.) necessary to win.

"This campaign is not a normal one. We must personally do everything possible to assure Cohelan's re-election.

"We are concerned right now with helping finance Jeff's campaign. As you know, under the law, union money cannot be used for national offices (Congressional, Presidential or Vice-Presidential) but there is no prohibition against individuals making a contribution.

"A dinner honoring Jeffery Cohelan will be held at the Claremont Hotel on October 6, 1960 at 8 p.m. Congressman Chester Bowles (Connecticut), former ambassador to India and author of the Democratic platform, will be the speaker.

"The price of the tickets is \$15 each. The price is little enough for us as trade unionists to invest in keeping a man in Congress who is friendly with us.

"Tickets are available at the Central Labor office. Will you make your check payable to the Cohelan for Congress Committee and mail it to me."

J. L. Childers, business representative for the Building Trades Council, has sent postcards to affiliates urging good labor representation from all officers and executive board members.

COPE meeting

The Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE) will hold its regular meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, in the Labor Temple.

The COPE executive board will meet at 7 p.m.

Smith named Kennedy Chairman for Albany

Bob Smith of East Bay Steel Machinists 1304 has been named Kennedy campaign chairman for the City of Albany.

Smith said he would appreciate any help he can get from fellow Democrats or unionists.

For further information, call Smith at LA 4-7271.

Violet Bogan hurt; phone calls asked

Violet Bogan of Communications Workers 9415 is in Providence Hospital following an auto accident last weekend.

Mrs. Bogan's injuries were not considered serious, but she was expected to be hospitalized a number of days.

Steelworkers turn down Canco on Crusade drive

Steelworkers 4468 has decided not to cooperate with American Can Co. in the United Crusade drive because the company refused to permit deputy voter registrars in the plant, Tony Polvorosa told the Central Labor Council.

Members of the union will donate as individuals.



meet Reddy

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Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

I have been gone for a week to the general convention in Chicago along with about 280 other Californians. We took part in a general rewrite of the constitution of the Brotherhood and the by-laws of district councils and local unions. This was to bring us in conformity with T-H and L-G. Secretary Bartolini served as secretary on No. 3 of the three constitution committees.

I must say the whole shebang was an open convention, though all the work that counted was done in the committees which were a very sharp and representative bunch from everywhere. Anyone who had anything to present was heard out and could present his ideas. There were plenty of resolutions and all received consideration, though not all were concurred in.

We had a preview of the Kennedy-Nixon debate 'live' almost as it was heard on TV, without the questions of course, what they said will be in "The Carpenter," which is sent to you each month. This booklet is due for a drastic change, much to the better, as you will see.

The new headquarters in Washington is progressing on schedule and should be in use before the middle of next year. It ought to be a structure that will be a credit to the Brotherhood of Carpenters.

Roll call Monday had about eighty on the list. Jobs have been slow.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

It doesn't seem possible that one year has passed since we signed our new agreement, but here it is coming up October 15, 1960, again and we have to call your attention to the pleasant fact that there is an increase in wages due for the members of the union who are working in San Francisco, Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

In accordance with the agreement now in effect, all journeymen will receive a 15-cent per hour increase effective October

15. The female workers in the watch repair department will receive a 7½ cent per hour increase effective the same date. The workers at the Hawthorne Watch Co. also receive an increase on October 15, only a smaller amount; nevertheless they all receive an increase.

In conjunction with the increase in wages, I am sure all the members realize there will be a slight increase in the monthly dues of every member as the raise is received.

The dues increase will not become effective until the month of November.

The same increases will follow at a later date in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties. We will notify each county of the effective date of the increase as it comes due through this column. The dues increase for the members in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties will not become effective until they receive the increase in wages.

Sheet Metal Snips

By AL ARELLANO

On September 21, 1960, Local 216 had its second meeting of the year in the Contra Costa area. It might surprise our members in the Alameda County area, that with only 30 per cent of our members living in that area, a larger portion of the member showed up at the meeting than show up at any regular meeting in Alameda County.

There were between 60 and 70 in attendance. Aaron Stewart, our international organizer, also was there and gave a very enlightening story about P.A.L. Our business manager, Lloyd Child, said he was going to say only a few words, but before he was through, his message became quite long and very important. He mentioned a number of problems affecting the local, including some on our present talks with the sign shops. He also had plenty to say on the necessity of each member doing his bit on P.A.L.

Brother Pruss did not attend, as he was away on a well earned vacation. He will visit Salt Lake City, Denver and in-between points.

Brother Bob Quinn in his report dwelt quite lengthily on the San Ramon Development Project. He and the other building trades unions are spending a lot of time on this job.

Did you know that in West Germany they are "suffering" from too much work, having less than one-half of one per cent of unemployment. They are presently negotiating with Ireland on some plan to pick up the work load.

Here in the United States, unemployment is on the uptrend, having passed the 6 per cent mark, and this does not include the millions of workers on a part-time week.

The last Tri-State Death Assessment now due and payable is No. 449.

Get into the Political Action League today.

Hayward Painters 1178

By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

SPECIAL NOTICE—To all members who wish to increase their knowledge of the trade: There is a class at Hayward Hi Tuesday nights in color mixing, lacquer spraying, furniture refinishing, etc. The cost is only \$2.50 per quarter. It will be to your ultimate profit to attend; none of us knows all there is to know of this business.

Ex-member Harold Huber now licensed with a shop card and doing business under his name.

And also "Alvie" Williams now licensed with shop card, doing business as "Harvey Williams, Painting and Decorating."

The best of luck to you both. Ol' Hoss Charlie Bethel down from the mountains but is leaving soon for Mayo Clinic for a physical check-out—We wish you well, Charlie.

The third quarter is ended. Ask to see the work card. You may be working with a suspended member.

Meeting this Friday — y'all come, hear?

And be a union man.

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By FREDRICK T. SULLIVAN

It is time we dropped the soft sell approach in our political arguments. The AFLCIO General Board has urged us all to support the Democratic presidential and vice-presidential ticket. Most of our members should know that when Congress passed the Wagner Act it set labor free, for it told what labor could do and not be faced with injunctions. Labor saw its biggest growth in the years between the Wagner Act and the Taft-Hartley Act. The hated Taft-Hartley Act tells what labor cannot do. One of the first actions taken by Jack Kennedy when he came to the House of Representatives in 1947 as a freshman was to make a speech against the anti-labor Hartley bill. Kennedy said that measure would strike down in one devastating blow the union shop, industry-wide bargaining, and so strangle collective bargaining with restraints and limitations as to make it ineffectual.

The Hartley measure was "watered down" a bit and was later incorporated into the Taft-Hartley Act. Kennedy voted against Taft-Hartley and also voted to uphold President Truman's veto of it. On the other hand, Richard Nixon, his opponent in the 1960 presidential race, who also was a freshman House member in 1947, supported the Hartley bill, voted for Taft-Hartley and voted to override President Truman's veto.

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By PAUL HUDGINS, Treasurer

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Your savings should be in your credit union where they will do you more good and at the same time will help the whole group. Your credit union is a mutual, cooperative financial brotherhood, not for profit, not for charity, but for service to the members. The investor and the borrower alike benefit through credit union membership. Join now, and transfer your available savings to your credit union. You will be mighty glad you did.

Painters Local No. 127

By SAM CAPONIO

We have skills to sell to the public; skills in applying various products to beautify and preserve homes and buildings. We can sell this service by informing the public that we have the best service available, a service that looks better and lasts longer and is more economical because it is done professionally. The Lath and Plaster Institute has done this effectively and so have the Electricians. Prudent use of advertising is paying off for them. And it can do the same for us. The District Council of Painters has a plan of this type under consideration.

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siders the lowering of painting costs by eliminating restrictions on use of tools, at least on repaints. The facts remain that restrictions hike painting costs and cause home owners to seek other means of painting their homes. We have lost a large percentage of repaints. We can compete with the non-union contractor and the do-it-yourselfer by eliminating restrictions. We can compete by use of better equipment, better material and professional painters. We cannot compete with the non-union contractor, who is not bound by restrictions, fringe benefits and the like. We cannot impose the restrictions on the non-union painter. The next best thing is to remove them from our own people.

These suggestions are not new; we hope this article has aroused your interest in the problem and causes you to think about them.

Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

The Great Debate is on most people's minds today, trying to analyze what the candidates will do to help them and their country when elected.

What did you hear and see that impressed you the most? Was it the appearance of the candidates? Was it the promises they made? The position they took to defend their respective records? I know what affected me the most; it was the appearance and presentation. Kennedy had the appearance of one giving a spiritual presentation and believing in everything he said; on the other hand you had Nixon drawn and tired looking, agreeing most of the time with Kennedy's position and still showing that he is a conservative.

I still have to stick with Kennedy because I believe in him. If you were to take a poll on their first presentation you would have to rate them in this order, Kennedy 60 per cent; Nixon 40 per cent.

USF Labor-Management School lists Fall courses

Three special courses—strikes and picketing, pension plans and recent labor law developments—will highlight the Fall session of the University of San Francisco Labor-Management School, opening on October 11.

The course on strikes and picketing will cover the legal status of consumer and recognition picketing, hot cargo clauses and sub-contractors and the status of economic strikers.

Other courses to be offered this Fall include public speaking, parliamentary practice, and ethics and morality in business and labor.

Classes will meet every Thursday night for nine weeks.

Registration for the Fall session will be held on Saturday, October 8 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 3 to 5 p.m. and on Tuesday, October 11, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Cranston to speak

State Controller Alan Cranston will attend a steak barbecue scheduled for Sunday, October 9, at the Foley Ranch in Pleasanton. The fund raising affair is being sponsored by the Kennedy for President Campaign Committee in Hayward. Tickets are available at 927 B Street, Hayward.

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Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next meeting of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be a special called one to be held on Wednesday, October 26, 1960, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple Building, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, California at 8 p.m.

1. Regular order of business.
2. Second reading of resolution regarding election of officers and delegates to conventions for 1961.
3. Initiation of candidates.
4. A further discussion pertaining to a new labor agreement for 1961-1962.
5. First nomination of officers, trustees and delegates to conventions for the year of 1961.
6. There is no doubt in my mind that you will want to participate in the forthcoming election on December 14, 1960, and vote for your favorite candidates either for officers, trustees or delegates, so please keep your dues in this local union current.

It is of utmost importance for you to attend your union meetings and participate in the union's affairs.

Fraternally,
BEN H. BEYNON,
Bus. Mgr. & Fin. Sec.-Treas.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. MCINTOSH,
Recording Secretary

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held Oct. 18 in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Business Representative

Statement required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Acts of March 3, 1933, July 2, 1946 and June 11, 1960 (74 Stat. 208) showing the Ownership, Management and Circulation of

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J. W. CHAUDET,
General Manager

Sworn and subscribed before me this third day of October, 1960.

LOLA MILLER,
Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California.

(My commission expires July 3, 1963.)

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held every Friday at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road, Hayward, California.

Don't forget that the \$1 assessment to replenish the blood bank fund was due and payable on Oct. 1, 1960.

The Stewards meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1960, at 7:30 p.m. at the regular meeting place.

The monthly stag social will be held at the regular meeting on Friday, Oct. 28, 1960.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL,
Recording Secretary

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Next regular meeting Thursday, Oct. 6, at 8 p.m.

Executive board meets at 6:30 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN L. GIFFIN,
Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

Our next meeting will be held on Oct. 8, 1960, at 1 p.m. for the executive board and 2 p.m. for the regular meeting.

When I submitted the names of new applicants to the East Bay Labor Journal last week, Brother Howard W. Bingham's change of address notice was mistaken for a new membership application. I sincerely hope this mistake has not caused him any embarrassment and I humbly apologize for this mistake.

Fraternally yours
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m. the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

Nomination for elected officers of this union will be held at the three meetings on October 18, 1960, at 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. The offices open for nomination are: president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, two business representatives, six members of the executive board, three trustees, four delegates and two alternate delegates to the International Convention.

Election of officers will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 1960. Polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at the union headquarters at 696 B Street, Hayward.

This notice is published in compliance with the local by-laws and applicable state and federal laws.

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HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Again, we are glad to report a good turnout at our last meeting and to offer a word of appreciation for such attendance. Tired of reading this statement? Be assured the officers are glad that such a statement can be made, and the hope is that we can continue to do so. The main topic at this meeting, under discussion, sure brought out a lot of 'Gees and Haws' and made the meeting interesting. The result, as you who were there know, will be given out at the next meeting, Friday night, Oct. 7. Too, on that night a similar question will be raised for such action as you deem fit. It's a regular meeting, but it will be a hot one. We're hoping we can report a good attendance again.

A thank you to Bros. Al King, organizer of our Brotherhood for the West Coast, and Les Moore, executive secretary of District Council 16, for appearing at our last meeting. Bro. King presented 25-year emblems of our Brotherhood to Bros. Dick Howard, Nestor Koski, Gust Strom and Hoke Smith. These members and those present showed their appreciation by hand and by word of mouth. Before the presentation, Bro. King gave us a history of Local 1178. What a memory.

Bro. Moore's subject was mainly political and the need for all locals to become active in all ways to elect those candidates favorable to such organizations as ours and others in the lower brackets.

There were several other officials from various East Bay locals and D. C. 16. Come again.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

You have all received a copy of the brochure regarding the Sears Roebuck stores and as a consequence of this you are asked to not shop at any of these Sears Roebuck stores.

The Stewards will meet Thursday at 8 p.m., October 20, 1960.

The Educational Committee will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m., October 26, 1960, at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

Be sure and vote on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 1960.

Fraternally yours,
J. F. HIGHTOWER,
President

OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

The officers and members of this local welcome these new members and are looking forward to seeing you at the next regular meeting on October 8, 1960.

Our president, M. M. Scalzo, will

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be on vacation, and the vice-president, Bro. Chas. Hobbs, will officiate at this meeting.

The new members whom we welcome are: Howard W. Bingham, Gouveia Celestino, C. W. Parks, D. L. Ryals, Bennie B. Baird, C. Hansen and Eoles Wilson.

Remember, October 8, 1960, is the next meeting date. The time, 2:00 p.m. The executive board meeting at 1 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Our next meeting to be held October 6, 1960, has been designated as a special called meeting for the purpose of acting on this union's proposed pension plan. Please arrange your affairs to be present at this meeting.

Also, this is to advise you that in the future the Examining Board will hold their meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month.

General Election Day is Tuesday, November 8, 1960.

First day to apply for absentee ballot: October 19, 1960.

Last day to apply for Absentee Ballot: November 3, 1960.

Please comply with the above and remember to vote on Tuesday, November 8, 1960.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

New drug session

Another negotiation session between Food Clerks 870 and Alameda County drug store representatives has been scheduled for 10 a.m. this Friday.

No progress was reported at a three-hour session last Friday.

WILLIAM DROHAN of the sub-district office of the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (AFLCIO) has been assigned to help Seattle locals for the duration of the strike against General Electric Co.

Waldal says Carpenters' convention was 'open and democratic'

Last week's special general convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America was "open and democratic," according to a letter from Marius Waldal, recording secretary of Hayward Carpenters 1622.

Having met many of the international union's officers and board members and analyzed their viewpoints, Waldal said he finds many of the criticisms raised by the membership, including himself, to be unfounded.

"I find we have a better international than generally believed, and I hope to convey this to the members when I make my report of the convention," Waldal wrote.

The convention was called to revise the Carpenters' constitution to conform with federal labor law. Waldal said there were many controversial resolutions before the convention.

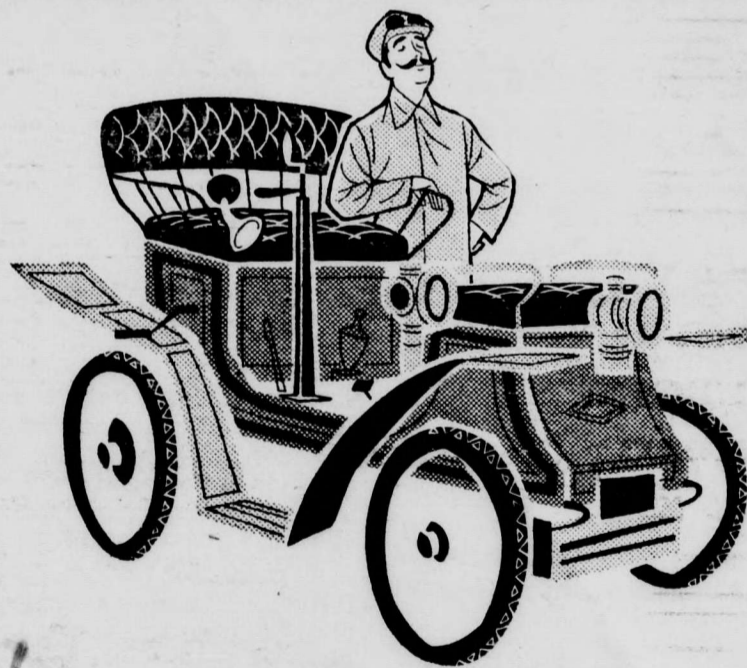
Anderson to speak here this Saturday night

Lt. Governor Glenn Anderson will deliver a major policy address at a dinner sponsored by the 15th Assembly District Democratic Club at the Retail Clerks' Hall, 6537 Foothill Blvd., Oakland, Saturday, October 8, at 7 p.m. Cocktails will be served at 5:30.

Lee Friedrich, assistant state treasurer and vice-chairman of the Alameda County delegation to the Democratic State Committee, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Supervisor Francis Dunn, Representative George P. Miller, State Senator John Holmdahl and Assemblyman Nick Petris are scheduled to attend.

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Hospital Workers 250 signs pact with Civic Center

Hospital and Institutional Workers 250 and Civic Center Hospital, after lengthy meetings, have entered into a 21-month contract which will guarantee union wages, hours and working conditions to all employees.

Business Representative Floyd Clardy organized a majority of the employees and hospital management and requested an election conducted by the California State Conciliation Service.

The contract calls for an across the board increase of \$12.50 for all employees effective October 1, 1960, and an additional increase July 1, 1961, ranging from \$5 in one classification to \$12.50 in virtually all other classifications. In addition, the standard hospital fringe benefits are embodied in the new contract, which includes a \$15 per month shift differential for employees working any shift commencing on or after 3 p.m. Liberalized sick leave and holiday benefits were also included.

Civic Center also had a vacation policy which granted 2 weeks' vacation after one year of service, 3 weeks' after three years of service and four weeks vacation after five years of continuous service. This was incorporated into the new contract.

Civic Center Hospital, located formerly in the downtown Oakland area, has just moved into a new facility at 390 20th Street.

Secretary Tom Kelly said the major difficulty which confronted him and Research Director Dick Liebes during the many meetings with Civic Center concerned the problem of the small segment of employees who, due primarily to the fact that they have never worked under a union contract, were recalcitrant toward joining Local 250. Kelly said he convinced hospital representatives that once this small group of employees realizes the many benefits that are granted to them, they will of their own volition become members of Local 250.

Kelly instructed business representatives to inaugurate an educational program whereby the members at Civic Center Hospital will learn about their union.

'Americans at Work' starts on KQED Tuesday

"Americans at Work," the AFLCIO's television series, will begin on KQED (Channel 9) at 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 4. Programs will be seen on following Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

The first program will tell how a daily newspaper is produced. On Oct. 11, the glass industry will be featured.

Other programs will include: plumbing, Oct. 18; bread, Oct. 25; pottery, Nov. 1; book binding, Nov. 8; shoe manufacturing, Nov. 15; paper, Nov. 22, and automobiles, Nov. 29.

CLC for joint Hayward-S.L. jr. college district

The Central Labor Council is on record against a junior college district which would include Hayward but not San Leandro.

Delegates authorized CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash to request that the State Board of Education permit only the larger district. At present, the Hayward Union High School District plans to establish its own junior college, exclusive of San Leandro. The plea for the larger district was made by San Leandro Teachers 1285.

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!



NEW CONTRACT between Hospital and Institutional Workers 250 and Civic Center Hospital, Oakland, is signed by (seated, from left) Tom Kelly, secretary of Local 250; Dr. Elbert W. Ashland, president of the hospital's board of directors, and George Leach, hospital administrator. Looking on is Richard Liebes, research director for Local 250.

Page says Baldwin lied about civil rights stand in TV debate

Republican Congressman John F. Baldwin Jr. of Contra Costa and Solano counties "deliberately lied and falsified his voting record" on the Powell anti-discrimination amendment to the 1959 Housing Bill, Douglas R. Page, the Democratic candidate, charged this week.

As evidence, Page submitted the following telegram sent him by Congressman Adam Clayton Powell from Washington, D. C., Sept. 28:

"DOUGLAS R. PAGE
1221 MCDONALD AVE.
RICHMOND, CALIF.

JOHN F. BALDWIN, JR.'S STATEMENTS ARE TOTALLY UNTRUE. HE TRIED TO KILL PUBLIC HOUSING. HE DID NOT VOTE FOR THE POWELL AMENDMENT ON THE HOUSING BILL. I HAVE NEVER PRAISED HIM FOR ANYTHING. WHILE IN CALIFORNIA CAMPAIGNING FOR SENATOR KENNEDY, I WILL REPEAT THIS STATEMENT TO THE PRESS AND ON THE AIR.

CONGRESSMAN
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL"

Page said Baldwin made the statement in a debate televised from San Francisco Sept. 9.

According to Page, Baldwin denied opposing Powell's anti-discrimination amendment to the 1959 Housing Bill.

As a matter of fact, Page said, Baldwin "used a hypocritical civil rights amendment of his own as a maneuver to kill the public housing provisions contained in the bill."

This move by Baldwin was also denounced by Powell in the Congressional Record. Powell said he and the three other Negro members of Congress led the vote against Baldwin's amendment "because it was hypocrisy."

"These two falsifications," Page said, "are typical of the manner in which Baldwin consistently attempts to distort his record in Congress so as to show himself as a champion of legislation that he is actively engaged in attempting to scuttle."

Baldwin is the only California incumbent Congressman of either party who failed to outpoll his opponent in the June 1 Pri-

mary election. Page achieved a 10,000 vote majority in the Primary, the first Democrat to top the incumbent in a Primary since his original election in 1954.

COHELAN ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Democratic Congressman Jeffery Cohelan's strong civil rights record is outlined in a statement "Congressman Cohelan Speaks Out for Civil Rights," being distributed in his district.

Two statements in Congress by Congressman Cohelan are quoted at length.

In one, from the Congressional Record, Cohelan called for amendments to strengthen this year's civil rights bill, particularly one authorizing the U. S. Attorney General to start civil proceedings without waiting for state or administrative agencies to act.

Cohelan pointed out that this is the kind of provision which is contained in the California Fair Employment Practices Act, authored by Berkeley Assemblyman William Byron Rumford, in 1959.

Another statement by Cohelan before a House Judiciary Subcommittee, also urged passage of the strong civil rights bill.

The third item quoted is an article from the Jan. 25 Berkeley Gazette reporting that Cohelan was named to a seven-member House Democratic Study task force gathering signatures to get the Civil Rights Bill out of the Rules Committee.

Students like Adlai

When Adlai Stevenson spoke in Berkeley, he got an enthusiastic welcome from U. C. students.

Half way down the steps of the Greek Theater Stevenson was greeted by three signs carried by students:

"First, last and always," "Thank you for 1952 and 1956," and "Great Democrat, Adlai Stevenson."

Crockett gets 870 post

Paul Crockett, a member of Food Clerks 870 for a number of years, has been appointed by Secretary Harris Wilkin as an organizer for the local.

Engle writes Ash on Social Security

Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash has received a letter from Sen. Clair Engle, stating that he supported the Anderson amendment to provide health care for the aged under Social Security and will work for similar legislation next year.

Following is the text of Sen. Engle's letter:

"Thank you for your expression in support of a federal program of medical care for the aged within the framework of the social security system.

"I support that proposal and was a co-sponsor of the Anderson amendment to H.R. 12580 to provide for the establishment of such a program. I was disappointed by its rejection, as I know you were.

"As enacted, H.R. 12580 does provide for limited federal participation in approved state plans for medical services to the aged, and for additional federal matching funds for vendor medical payments under the old age assistance program.

"That is only a beginning, and you may be assured of my efforts in the next Congress in support of comprehensive legislation to meet this pressing human problem."

Rep. Cohelan announces interviews for U.S. academy examinations

Men between 17 and 22 years of age interested in taking examinations for nomination to the U. S. Military, Naval, Air Force, Coast Guard or Merchant Marine academies are asked to telephone the Oakland office of Congressman Jeffery Cohelan, GL 1-4773, for appointments.

Interviews will be held in the congressman's office in the Alameda County Courthouse, Oakland. Applications must be made before October 12.

Applicants must be not less than 17 and not more than 22 years of age on July 1 of the calendar year they enter one of the academies. They must be graduates of accredited secondary schools, citizens of the United States and in good physical condition.

Complete information may be had by calling the above number.

BTC learns about Oakland fireman who's 'scab' roofer

J. L. Childers, business representative for the Building Trades Council, told the Sept. 20 meeting he was trying to gather proof that an Oakland fireman was contracting for hot tar roofing in East Oakland.

The same fireman was warned last year about doing non-union work in his spare time, Childers said.

Oakland Fire Chief James J. Sweeney Jr. has promised to suspend the offending fireman if the BTC supplies written proof, Childers said.

GET BTC CONTRACTS, TOO

Childers urged all unions to get employers to sign BTC agreements as well as individual union agreements. Some union contracts, he said, do not have penalty clauses. If contractors sign both, they are subject to the \$50-a-day BTC penalty clause for any violation of the regular contract, according to Childers.

ILWU COOPERATES

The ILWU cooperated with the Building Trades Council, Childers said, in removing its pickets from a firm which the former was picketing in a dispute.

The firm closed down its East Bay plant and moved its operations elsewhere. The ILWU continued picketing but stopped to let trucks from a rigging company with which the BTC has a contract remove some equipment from the idle plant, Childers said.

OFFICE WORKERS

Childers said a meeting of Building Trades Council and Central Labor Council unions which employ members of Office Workers 29 will be held in the near future to go over contract demands and name a negotiating committee, if necessary. Date has not been set.

IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS

A recommendation by Childers that he be authorized to attend important functions, including dinners, and that he be reimbursed for expenses in connection with these functions was accepted as part of his report.

Joe Hightower of Carpenters 36 objected.

REGISTRATION

Thomas Almond of Carpenters 1622 said he wished to thank Ed Reith, Alameda County COPE director, for assistance in registering union members in Southern Alameda County. Almond estimated that registration approaches 95 per cent.

RADIATION LAB

A letter was received by Childers from Harold Brown, director of the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory of the University of California at Livermore, thanking building trades union members for voluntary assistance in renovating the swimming pool area at the laboratory.

Brown said letters were being sent to individuals who participated, and a number would receive free pool memberships.

NEW BTC DELEGATES

Ron Fenner, Glaziers 169, and Arnold Pierce, Iron Workers 378, were seated as delegates.

POLICE BALL

A trustees' recommendation that tickets to the annual Policeman's Ball be returned to the Oakland Police Department was approved by delegates.

NLRB examiner rules in Kinney-Clerks' case

NLRB Trial Examiner John F. Funke has ruled that informational picketing of the Kinney Shoe Co. store at 10323 E. 14th St. by Department and Specialty Clerks 1265 is legal under the Landrum-Griffin Law.

However, a regional attorney for the NLRB said he would file a statement of exceptions with the national board.

Plasterers, Cement Masons urge BTC delegate compliance

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dino councils had made changes following the directive.
One Alameda County union sent a letter to the AFLCIO Building Trades Department concerning possible changes in this county about two years ago but never received a reply, according to Childers.

Joseph T. Pruss, BTC president said there had been no formal protests from the crafts and suggested the council continue its present procedure until ordered to change by the Building Trades Department.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Childers reported that the Oakland Housing Authority wanted to lower pay rates of its laborers and gardeners on grounds that a survey showed they were higher than comparable pay elsewhere.

The BTC made its own survey and found that this is not the case, Childers declared. He said he plans a meeting with the officials involved.

There is a move by public housing authorities in other parts of California to classify all craftsmen in their employ as "maintenance mechanics" at \$2.07 an hour, Childers said. He added that the housing authority in Contra Costa County had succeeded in doing this.

BOYS' CLUB

Joe Egan of Plasterers 112 said that the San Leandro Boys' Club was dedicated a week ago Sunday and that building tradesmen who donated their labor in building it deserved a large share of the credit.

Egan said he wanted to thank the council and invite all delegates to visit the club, which is 90 per cent complete and "about the best building in San Leandro." A plaque will be placed in the building in recognition of BTC participation, Egan added.

President Pruss said the building is worth about \$300,000, and two-thirds of this amount consisted of donated labor and materials. He said, however, that the swimming pool remains to be finished.

EARL THE GLASS MAN

Childers reported that Earl The Glass Man in Hayward was still being picketed. He said he believes the non-union proprietor is beginning to feel the pinch, as a utility district truck stopped there to turn the firm's water off, according to information he received.

VOLK-MCLAIN

Childers also reported on a dispute concerning the Lathers at the Volk-McLain tract. He said the decision is being appealed, and a final ruling is expected Oct. 13 or 14.

NEW BTC AGREEMENT

Secretary Davy said that a new

BTC agreement has been signed by Milton E. Sykes Co., Inc.

VACANT LOT

Childers said the BTC was picketing a lot at 430 Vernon St. Tuesday because a contractor named Nichandros had let a contract to tear down a house there to a non-union wrecking contractor.

He was to meet with Nichandros Wednesday, Childers said. Nichandros plans an apartment building on the lot.

Candy clerks get \$4 weekly raises

About 100 clerks in retail candy stores will receive \$4 weekly across-the-board raises retroactive to Sept. 1 under an agreement approved by Food Clerks 870 of Alameda County, Retail Clerks 1179 of Contra Costa County and United Employers.

The one year contract also provides for three day termination notices by employers, vacations based on average yearly earnings rather than straight time hours worked, holiday pay in proportion to days worked during the week in which the holiday falls, participation in the Bay Area Retail Clerks sick leave and health and welfare plans, and improved seniority protection.

Public transit comes to E. Bay; Carmen hear district wage proposals

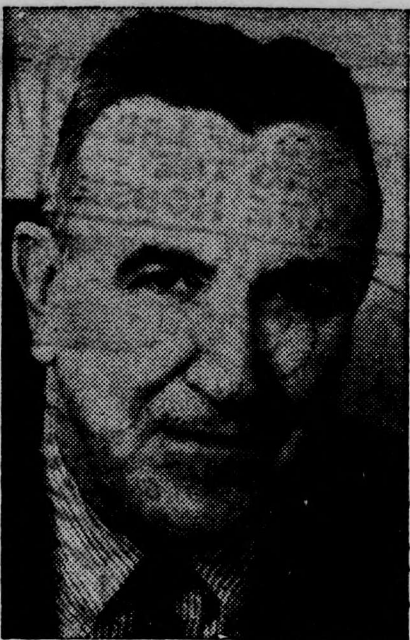
As publicly-owned transportation officially came to the East Bay last week, Carmen's Division 192 said it has reached "an understanding" with directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District.

F. Vern Stambaugh, president of Division 192, said this Tuesday that union officials have been talking over contract provisions with officials of the transit district since late August.

The union held meetings to explain results of the talks to members. The transit district's directors were scheduled to meet Wednesday night and were expected to approve the proposals.

If they do, it is expected that the union will schedule meetings for voting on the offer in the near future. Talks have concerned wage adjustments and other improvements in a proposed two-year contract expiring Nov. 30, 1962.

Look for the union shop card ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!



CHESTER BOWLES, Congressman from Connecticut and the man considered most likely to be Secretary of State in a Kennedy cabinet, was to speak at a \$15 a plate fund raising dinner for Congressman Jeffery Chace on this Thursday evening at the Hotel Claremont.

Ash named chairman of Labor Comm. for No. 5

Robert S. Ash, secretary of the Central Labor Council, has been named chairman of the Alameda County "Yes on 5" Labor Committee.

Serving with him are J. L. Childers, business representative for the Building Trades Council; Russell Crowell, CLC president; Edward Reith, COPE director; Gus Billy of the 17th Assembly District COPE; H. J. Badger of Cooks 228 and John Kinnick of Office Employees 29.

Proposition 5 would increase pay of members of the State Legislature. It would reportedly cost "two cents per person per state chairman.

Trib's handling of White case hit by Johnson of Local 390

"I'd like to report basically on how lousy I feel the Oakland Tribune is," Jay Johnson of East Bay Municipal Employees 390 told the Central Labor Council Monday night.

Johnson said he meant the Trib's handling of the union's fight for reinstatement of Sylvester White, 47, before the Oakland Civil Service Commission.

A reporter from the Trib was present at both of the sessions but not a word had been printed up to that time, Johnson told CLC delegates. He said the case involved possible racial discrimination and violation of work rules by White's superiors.

If the Tribune can ignore local news on "touchy subjects," Johnson declared, it probably does the same on national and international matters. Johnson said the East Bay Labor Journal had printed the only news about the case.

Commissioners denied White's appeal at an executive session Tuesday afternoon. Johnson said he did not know the vote.

White said at last week's hearing that Sherman Tucker, public works foreman, called him a "smart Nigger" the day before he was fired.

The previous week, Tucker denied before the commission that he had used the term.

Dick Piburn, street maintenance engineer, testified last week that he was present at the exchange of remarks between Tucker and White but heard no "racially derogatory" terms.

White testified he was told "Wes and Joe" were trying to get him fired if they could have

his efficiency rating lowered" in January, 1959. White and other witnesses testified that the ruling he allegedly violated—taking his car to a job site—had not been formalized.

DUMP TRUCK RULE

The day before he was fired, White testified, he protested when he was asked to ride in back of a dump truck in opposition to standing orders. He said he had been dumped out of a truck on a WPA project during the Depression.

White said he was told: "Do it or I'll take you into the office."

Atty. Edwin A. Clancy Jr. questioned the policy of paying city witnesses for testifying on city time but penalizing defense witnesses. Clancy said he checked with City Auditor Martin Huff, who said he knew nothing about the policy.

Clancy asked Warren Carroll, a street department employee since 1954, whether Deputy City Atty. Mark B. Schragg had been out to the Hegenberger yard the previous day to brief defense witnesses. Carroll said that Schragg had been there.

Noble Harris, a city employee 13 years, said he, too, had been in a group addressed by Schragg concerning the White case. Three other co-workers, Adolphus Bell, John T. Stark and Oliver Lesperance, said they felt White's work was no better and no worse than that of most employees.

The hearing was ordered by the State Court of Appeal, which overruled an Alameda County Superior Court decision in favor of the city.



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L. A. labor tampering with truth on Prop. 15

We're against Proposition 15 for several reasons:

—It would destroy the "federal system" in our State Legislature by giving 13 southern California counties 20 seats in the State Senate, and 45 northern California Counties 20 seats.

—It is an obvious southern California attempt to pack the State Senate.

—It is a revenge measure launched by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors which would undermine the balance between north and south and urban and rural areas in our state government.

—Raids on state highway, public buildings and other public works allocations for northern California can be expected to follow, including shifting of many state offices to the Los Angeles area.

Therefore, it is with grave concern that we view the distortion of issues by the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor and its official publication, the "Los Angeles Citizen."

In reporting the L.A. labor federation's endorsement of Proposition 15, the "Citizen" says the measure will "eliminate control of legislation by cow county senators whose constituents are composed largely of redwood trees and white-face herefords."

This distorted propaganda, of course, is not true. Proposition 15 would wipe out of existence the districts of a number of liberal northern California Democrats who have supported organized labor.

Loss of these senators is one reason 35 Alameda County union officers, headed by Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash, are fighting Proposition 15 so vigorously.

William J. Bassett, secretary of the L.A. labor federation, says in the "Citizen" that there is something wrong with the fact that Standard Oil Co. and PG&E are against Proposition 15.

The fact is that both labor and management in northern California are almost unanimously against this treacherous measure, in which L. A. labor officials have been hoodwinked by L. A. Times-dominated politicians.

Many responsible southern California groups, including some branches of organized labor, are against it, too.

Proposition 15 must be defeated. Vote "No" on Proposition 15 on Nov. 8.

The Un-American Committee

Tillman Erb, is a man in his 50's. He is an experienced teacher and a good one. This Spring, he was told that he could go back to teaching his specialty, English, during the 1960-61 academic year at Camden High School in Santa Clara County.

Then, suddenly, the school authorities told him his contract would not be renewed. Fifteen minutes later, Erb was subpoenaed to appear before the House Un-American Activities at its session in San Francisco last May.

Erb expressed willingness to testify about himself but refused to make a blanket promise that he would tell the committee about people he had known.

It may be that the committee had Erb's name because he ran for Congress on the Independent Progressive Party ticket in Colorado before coming to California in 1952.

His attorney, John E. Thorne, chairman of the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee and representative of a number of unions in San Jose, points out that there is no question about Erb's loyalty, moral character or teaching ability.

Later, the State Credentials Commission refused to renew Erb's teaching credential. An appeal hearing was scheduled last week. Erb and Thorne showed up, but the matter was postponed until Dec. 1.

Thorne points out that the Dilworth Act lets local school boards fire teachers who refuse to testify; however, Erb took only a "limited Fifth." He was perfectly willing to testify about himself.

Also, Thorne says, the act does not empower the State to fail to renew a credential.

These, Thorne says, are the legal issues involved.

We feel that there are broader issues than these at stake.

The Un-American Activities Commission, has outlived its usefulness. The Dilworth Act is used as an excuse for intimidating competent teachers. And 20 Bay Area teachers were fired, forced to resign or failed to have their contracts renewed because of the May hearings.

The public owes them reinstatement and an apology.



STEVENSON CALLS FOR A NEW FOREIGN POLICY

Adlai Stevenson said in Berkeley last week that a Democratic administration will give the United States the new, positive foreign policy it needs.

Under eight years of the Eisenhower Administration, Stevenson told a cheering overflow crowd at the University of California's Greek Theater, foreign policy has been "clumsy."

We have reacted against everything the Russians have done, instead of providing sound world leadership "through financial and technical assistance to wipe out the memories of earlier exploitation."

"Such a positive program," Stevenson said, "may hasten the day when the Communist ideology becomes too unreal even for Communists."

U.N. RIGHT PLACE

Despite the opposition of the Republicans, Soviet Premier Khrushchev "has come to the right forum"—the United Nations—to debate the international issues, Stevenson said.

Stevenson pointed out that "the uncommitted nations are by no means in love with the West."

He criticized Vice-President Nixon for using the U.N. debate as a campaign issue. Nixon said "our side" was victorious, when it was really U.N. Secretary Dag Hammarskjöld who was victorious, Stevenson declared.

CRITICIZES NIXON, HERTER

Stevenson called "an ill-considered pronouncement" a remark by Secretary of State Herter that Ghana leaders were "leaning toward the Soviet bloc."

"The moral strictures of the Dulles era against neutralism are too fresh," Stevenson said.

"What is called for is calm analysis, steady scrutiny of the facts and the steady belief that truth makes us free," he told the cheering U. C. students. "Freedom is the most potent force in the world."

In dealing with Communism—these are the facts "at least as I see them," Stevenson said.

1. The Communist ideology holds that Communism will conquer the world and that those who disagree are idiots or evil, decadent capitalists.

2. Yet we must not overlook the fact that there "may be a genuine element of fear on the Communist side."

How should we handle the situation in view of these facts?

BIG STICK

Stevenson said we should do as President Theodore Roosevelt advised: "talk softly and carry a big stick. It's still good advice."

It will take time for the Communists to realize that they will not dominate the world, but only their own country Stevenson

said. In the meantime, the best way to cope with the opposing Communist forces of world domination and fear is to be strong ourselves.

"A balanced budget," Stevenson declared emphatically, "will do little good unless we have a balanced defense."

GOP FAILURE

Stevenson said that the Republicans—instead of speaking softly and carrying a big stick—spoke loudly and carried a small stick.

American policies abroad, Stevenson said, have been associated with defensiveness and military alliances and America has lost prestige because of them.

Stevenson said that the moral need for peace and disarmament bothers him as well as others. But, he said, there is "no turning back now."

Our peace and security, Stevenson said, are dependent upon a strong defense policy, coupled with an intelligent approach to foreign affairs.

Security is the only justification for military preparedness, Stevenson emphasized, and we must always be willing to place our armaments under international control.

DISARMAMENT

Republican efforts toward peace and "constructive" disarmament, Stevenson said, have been meager.

Stevenson called for permanent joint U. S.-Russian commissions in such fields as medical research, interstellar exploration, oceanography and joint economic development.

We must convince the Russians and the Chinese, too, Stevenson said, that military defensiveness doesn't pay and that constructive disarmament does.

Referring to the "negative handicap" of Republican policies, Stevenson said the only major U. S. foreign policy since World War II which was not a reaction to something done by the Russians was the Marshall Plan.

"This kept the Russians on the defensive for four years," he added.

NEW APPROACH

Stevenson called for a new, positive foreign policy toward Latin America, Africa and India. But, he said, we cannot do what we need to do alone. We must call on other nations to help us.

"We must invite Khrushchev to join us in building a new world for humanity. If he does not want to, we'll do it without him."

This new, positive foreign policy, Stevenson said, will be "the final defense against Russia's imperialist crusade."

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SAYS RELIGION IS LEGITIMATE ISSUE

Editor, Labor Journal:

Although I am not a member of any labor union or eligible to be one, I read my son's copies of the East Bay Labor Journal with much interest and in general with approval. But I feel impelled to protest against your use of the word "bigotry" to describe the attitude of all persons who hold that the question of religious affiliation is a legitimate issue in the present presidential campaign.

Bigotry means "blind and intolerant attachment to a creed," which need not necessarily be a religious creed. It expresses itself in animosity toward all persons who do not accept that creed, and in social and economic discrimination against them. It usually leads to violence of some sort. But it is quite possible to abhor all these things and still doubt the wisdom of voting for a candidate for high public office because of the political implications of the teachings of his church. When the candidate says he will uphold the separation of church and state as specified in the U. S. Constitution, and the head of his church, speaking officially, states that "the absurdity of such a position is manifest," it is not a "bigoted attack" to point out the contradiction. The candidate is no doubt sincere, but how can he maintain his loyalty to the Constitution when his church tells him that "it is not lawful for the State . . . to hold in equal favor all kinds of religion" and that in this and all its other teachings, whether or not of a purely religious nature, he must allow himself "to be ruled and directed by the authority and leadership of bishops, and above all, of the Holy See?"

The above quotations are not from some anti-Catholic sheet or the mouthings of a fanatical minor cleric or rabble-rouser. They are the official pronouncements of Pope Leo XIII, as set forth in a book entitled "The Great Encyclical Letters of Leo XIII," edited by the Rev. John J. Wynne, S. J. . . .

Senator Kennedy has already shown in one famous case that he is ready to reverse his own judgement on the insistence of a Cardinal. He has stated that he will resign if he is faced with a conflict between his church and the Constitution of his country; in other words he will sidestep his duty to support the Constitution. But who wants to elect a president who will resign because his religion creates such a situation?

Senator Kennedy is an able and conscientious man. But that very fact can give him problems that no president should have to face. I have voted in every presidential election since 1912 and have never cast a ballot for a Republican candidate. However, I cannot help to put in the White House any man whose church demands special privileges not granted to any other religion and teaches that the principles of the U. S. Constitution are absurd and unlawful.

I do not expect that you will publish this letter or even reply to it. But perhaps you will at least refrain from labeling me a bigot because I quote the official teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. It is one thing to hate a person or to damn him as a man because of his religion; it is quite something else to doubt the wisdom of voting for him for the same reason.

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